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IN RE THE APPLICATION OF) 4
Zeger Debsyer et al) Examiner:)
SERIAL NO.: To Be Assigned)Group Art Unit:)
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FOR: A Synthetic Gene For Expression of a Retroviral Protein with Wild Type Activity in Eukaryotic Cells))))) I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, Box: PATENT APPLICATION" on October 25, 2001October 25, 2001. Name of person signing

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The present application is the national filing of International Application No. PCT/EP00/03765. Appended hereto is a copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report for that application, having appended thereto the claims as they currently appear in the international application. Before calculation of the national filing fee for the United States, it is requested that the application be amended as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 1 – 61 (the only claims in the international application) without prejudice, and substitute new claims 62 – 92 as follows: